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FRANK G. WILSON,
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Hongkong, 26th July, 1887. 1431

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on
the 30th day, SATURDAY,
the 31st July, 1887, at NOON, at the
HONGKONG and WHAMPOA DOCK Co.'s
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THE FORE MAIN, MIZZEN and other
PARTS, SEAMEN'S BELONGINGS, RIGGING
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HONGKONG, 28th July, 1887. [1430]
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 TO BE LET.

 THE SECOND FLOOR of the House
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 OFFICE or RESIDENCE.
 Apply to
 LINSTED & DAVIS.
 HONGKONG, 28th July, 1887. [1432]

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 SUIT of ROOMS fronting the Praya and
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 a building recently occupied by Messrs. MEI,
 KANG & CO.
 These Premises are well suited for OFFICES
 or STORES.
 BESIDE VILLA, POKEUM.
 Apply to
 MESSRS. BELLILIOS & CO.,
 or to
 SHARP & CO.,
 Estate Agents.
 HONGKONG, 28th July, 1887. [1432]

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875,
the Undersigned Banks will be CLOSED
for the Transaction of Public Business on
MONDAY NEXT, the 1st August.

FOR THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.
JOHN THURBERN
Manager, Hongkong.

FOR THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AU-
STRALIA, AND CHINA.
T. H. WHITEHEAD.
Manager, Hongkong.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.
JOHN WALTER.
Acting Chief Manager.

For the Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris,
 J. ARRANGER,
 Agent.
 For the NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION,
 LIMITED:
 E. W. RUTTER,
 Manager, Hongkong. 1425
 Hongkong, 27th July, 1887.
"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.
 FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND
 SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship
"GLENROX."
 Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
 of Cargo by her are hereby informed that the
 Goods are being landed at their risk into the
 Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf
 and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon.
 Consignee delivery may be obtained
 by applying to the said Company.
 Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless

notice to the contrary be given before Noon,
TUE-DAY, the 27th instant.
Cargo receipts will be delivered after the 3rd
Angust, will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be issued by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1887. [1426
GLEN "LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.
FOR SHANGHAI.
Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates
for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEWCHANG, HAN-
KOW, and Ports on the YANGTZE).
THE Company's Steamship
"GLENBURY."
Captain Webster, will be despatched as before
on SATURDAY, the 27th inst. at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th July, 1887. [1428
OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Company's Steamship

"NESTOR."
Captain Thompson, will be despatched as above
on SATURDAY, the 20th July.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents,
Hongkong, 27th July, 1887. [1318]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"WINGSANG."
Captain A. D. S. ... will be despatched
as above on TUESDAY, the 2nd August, at
THREE P.M.
This steamer has Superior First Class Accommoda-
tion, and is specially constructed to meet the
requirements of tropical climates.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATTHEW & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 27th July, 1887. [1427]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"POMERAN." Captain Rensch, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 26th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, 26th July, 1887. [1414]

THE "GIBB" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Port Darwin and taking through Cargo for BUREND, ADELPHI, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, &c.)

THE British Steamer

"AFGHAN." Captain Ross, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 26th inst., at Four P.M., instead of as previously notified.

The steamer has excellent accommodation for First Class Passengers, and will be despatched for First Class Passengers, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Managers, Hongkong, 26th July, 1887. [1410]

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Company's Steamship

"CELEBS." Captain Joon, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 27th inst., at Three P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 26th July, 1887. [1419]

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBÉ.

(Passing through the IZUMI STRAITS.)

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"THIBET." Captain Joon, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 27th inst., at Four P.M.

E. L. WOODIN, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, 18th July, 1887. [1]

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBÉ.

(Passing through the IZUMI STRAITS.)

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"GEELONG." Captain Joon, will be despatched for the above Ports SATURDAY, the 30th July, at Noon.

E. L. WOODIN, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, 27th July, 1887. [1424]

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"LORDARDY." Captain Joon, will be despatched for the above Ports SATURDAY, the 30th July, at Three P.M.

E. L. WOODIN, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, 26th July, 1887. [1415]

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG, AND SOERABAYA, VIA SAIGON AND SINGAPORE.

The Company's Steamship

"BORNEO." Captain Joon, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 26th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 26th July, 1887. [1406]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for Ningbo, Chefoo, Nankow, Tientsin, Hankow, and Ports on the Yangtze.)

THE Company's Steamship

"HECTOR." Captain Batt, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 26th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, 26th July, 1887. [1407]

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE." F. West, Commandant, will be despatched for the above Ports MONDAY, the 1st August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 27th July, 1887. [1420]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETTS.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GLENCOE." Captain Craig, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 26th inst., at Noon.

This steamer has excellent accommodation for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 26th July, 1887. [1409]

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"VOLGA." Commandant Revilhon, will leave for the above Port on the 5th of August.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, 27th July, 1887. [1421]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AND ADELAIDE.

(Calling at Port Darwin and taking through Cargo to New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"TANNADICE." Captain Craig, will be despatched for the above Ports SATURDAY, the 30th August, at Four P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 27th July, 1887. [1421]

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBÉ, AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"DIEMNAH." Captain Vaguer, will leave for the above Ports shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, 27th July, 1887. [1422]

FOR HAMBURG DIRECT.

THE 3/L I. I. German Bark

"ADOLPH." Waterguard, Master, shortly expected here, will leave for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to EDWARDS & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 26th July, 1887. [1393]

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE 3/L I. I. British Ship

"NYL-GHAN." Lovitt, Master, shortly expected here, will leave for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to PUSTAU & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 14th July, 1887. [1397]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUETZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, ANTONIA, VENICE, TRIESTE, AND LONDON.

ALSO, BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERMAN, GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK, AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship

"RAVENNA." Captain A. B. Daniell, with Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this Port for LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL, and will be due at LONDON on THURSDAY, the 28th July, at Four P.M.

Cargo will be received on board until 10 A.M. on the day of sailing.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bill of Lading.

E. L. WOODIN, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, 18th July, 1887. [1]

CANADIAN PACIFIC LINE.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE UNITED STATES, AND EUROPE.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY AND OTHER CONNECTING RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.

THE British Steamship

"ADYSSINIA." 3,651 Tons Register, Alex. Marshall, Commander, will be despatched for VANCOUVER, B.C., YAKUBA, and KOKOUMA, on FRIDAY, the 28th July, at THREE P.M.

To be followed by S. S. "PARTELA," on the 18th August.

These steamers, formerly in the OCEANIC Service, have lately received New Engines and Boilers, and can maintain a speed at sea of from 13 to 14 knots.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports, and at Vancouver with San Francisco by the regular Steamers of the PACIFIC COAST STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

The attention of through passengers is drawn to the fact that the Canadian Pacific Railway being the best built and most splendidly equipped line ever constructed on the American Continent, and especially adapted for Summer travelling.

Quarantine Invoices for Goods to United States ports should be made out in quadruplicate, and addressed to Mr. D. E. Brown, District Freight Agent, Vancouver, B.C., and sent to us.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 P.M. on the 28th inst.

All Parcels must be sent to our Office and should be marked to address in full; and the same will be received by us until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing.

For information as to Passage or Freight, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 15th July, 1887. [852]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUETZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ALSO, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, DUNKIRK, AND ANTWERP.

ON THURSDAY, the 4th August, at Noon, the Company's Steamship

"MELBOURNE," Commandant De la Marcell, with Mails, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for the above as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal ports of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 3rd August, 1887. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, 23rd July, 1887. [2]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

THE OVERSEA RAILWAYS.

ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship "BELGIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 4th August, at THREE P.M.

Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All Parcels should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Return Passengers—Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20% on Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10% will be made from Return Fare. Pre-paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25% from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Port beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN, Agent, Hongkong, 25th July, 1887. [13]

FOR HAVRE AND LONDON.

THE 100 A.T. British Ship

"NARCISSEUS." Dumon, Master, will leave for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 22nd April, 1887. [829]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/L I. I. American Ship

"MONROE." Shortly expected here, will leave for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887. [1368]

FOR LONDON.

THE 1 A.T. British Ship

"JOHN NICHOLSON." Caslon, Master, will leave for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to PUSTAU & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 11th July, 1887. [1115]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/L I. I. American Ship

"BENJAMIN SEWELL." S. R. Ulmer, Master, shortly expected here, will leave for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to PUSTAU & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887. [1368]

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE 3/L I. I. British Bark

"OSAKA." R. Lowe, Master, shortly expected here, will leave for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to PUSTAU & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 18th July, 1887. [1374]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/L I. I. American Barkentine

"HATTIE N. BANGS." Bangs, Master, will leave for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to GONSALVES & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887. [1387]

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE 3/L I. I. German Bark

"AMARANTH." Captain Morise, shortly expected here, will leave for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 2nd July, 1887. [1278]

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/L I. I. American Ship

"GRANITE STATE." Ross, Master, shortly expected here, will leave for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to PUSTAU & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 7th July, 1887. [1305]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/L I. I. British Ship

"HONOLULU." Shortly expected here, will leave for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887. [1369]

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE 3/L I. I. German Ship

"COMET." Shortly expected here, will leave for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 18th July, 1887. [1370]

T. M. B.

RE ABRAHAMSON & Co., Sandakan, British North Borneo, are now prepared to submit for inspection Samples of hard and soft TIMBERS suitable for Wharves, Buildings and General purposes.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 2nd November, 1886. [140]

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that in this city there is very little choice of sites. The building cannot be placed in narrow lanes, and wherever they might be fixed it is my principal thoroughfare there would be sure to be a host of objectors, and probably petitions for their removal, as has been the case with the one behind the Clock Tower. It was a pity that either Mr. Rennie or the petitioners did not, when signing the petition, make a statement as to the site to which they thought the urinal could be removed. The senior unofficial member did certainly remark that he thought that with a little searching some other place could be found. If, however, he could have put before the Government some definite proposition they would of all events have had less excuse for not considering the matter. As petitioners, more especially as the Hongkong Hotel Company offered to bear the cost of the removal of the urinal, it was, we presume, the difficulty of finding a suitable spot to which to remove it that caused the Government to decline what is otherwise so reasonable a petition. The place perhaps not such a very serious nuisance to the general vicinity of the street as it might encounter in the best covered cities of the United Kingdom; but it is a serious drawback to the Hongkong Hotel, and its continuance in full view of the windows and verandahs of that building gives the company a very tangible grievance. Is there no remedy for the nuisance? Could not the urinal be placed inside the basement of the hotel, and the outlet of the pipe to the street at least, and might be kept in a good state of sanitation. The base of the Tower is not used, we believe, and is large enough to admit of such a structure. The chief difficulty would probably be to light it, but this could no doubt be easily surmounted by the Survey Department. We throw out the suggestion in the hope that, if it be not impracticable, it may be considered by the Government, and remove this eyesore and nuisance. If the idea be impracticable then some other site should be looked for and found if possible.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held on the 22nd July. There were present:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ACTING GOVERNOR,
Major-General CAMERON, C.B.
Hon. J. RUSSELL, C.M.G., Acting Chief Justice.
Hon. F. STEWART, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Hon. E. J. ACRYOTD, Acting Attorney-General.
Hon. A. LISTER, Colonial Treasurer.
Hon. J. M. HICK, Surveyor-General.
Hon. E. THOMSON, Harbour Master.
Hon. P. DYER.
Hon. WONG SENG.
Hon. A. P. MACLEOD.
Hon. J. H. B. LIVING.
Hon. C. P. CHATER.
Mr. J. M. GUTIERREZ, Acting Clerk of Council.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

EXTENSION OF RICHMOND ROAD.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table the report of the proceedings of the Finance Committee at a meeting held on the 28th July, recommending the Council to vote about £20,000 to defray the cost of extending and completing Richmond Road beyond Richmond Terrace, and of developing and preparing further building sites in that locality, for auction sale. He moved that the Council should accede to this petition.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER seconded.

Carried.

THE CLOCK TOWER URINAL.

Hon. P. RYER presented a Petition for the removal of the Public Urinal in front of the Clock Tower. It was in substance—The grievance which has been complained of by the public is that the urinal, 176 in number, is one that every one who has occasion to pass that part of the town must know to be a real one. I know it myself, and I know it from the fact that I have seen it. I know that there is a feeling that it is a nuisance to place this very odorous institution just in front of the largest hotel in the colony, where families reside and where from the upper part of the town look into this place. I do not know that there is a feeling that it is a nuisance in a very useful thing, and if it were only in another place there could be no objection to it, but I think my place has not been well chosen. My friend on the right (the Surveyor-General) may insist to a considerable extent, is hardly the place for it. I think that it is a nuisance, perhaps, but I think with a little searching another place could perhaps be found. But in front of a large hotel, an hotel which is to be considered to a considerable extent, is hardly the place for it. Besides it is just in front of the principal entrance to our city and where there are large buildings all round. In front of the Clock Tower is certainly not the place for it. It is the opinion of the gentleman who has signed this petition are fully stated and I need not repeat them; I merely beg permission to lay this petition on the table.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Officer Administering the Government of Hongkong and to the Legislature Council thereof.

The Honourable Petition of the Hongkong Hotel and Restaurant Association, and the undersigned residents of Hongkong.

...to the great nuisance caused by the Urinal situated behind the Clock Tower in Peddar's-street, Hongkong. It is very offensive to those who have to pass up and

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we ventured to express the belief that the Chinese Government; whatever commercial concession they might make to France, would

we ventured to express the belief that the Chinese Government; whatever commercial concession they might make to France, would not consent to forego the right, conferred by the Treaty negotiated by M. COGENDAN, to the right of opening the ports of Canton, Amoy, Swatow, and Haioo and Hooghwan. The point we could not understand as constituting a concession, was the right of French trading parties attached great importance to, and its exclusion from the Treaty was one of the modifications M. CONSTANS had been instructed to specially negotiate for. It would seem, if the statement made by the *Paris Journal des D bats* is to be relied on, that a compromise has been arrived at on the subject. M. CONSTANS evidently urged the withdrawal of the clause from the agreement, and very strongly the Chinese Government must have resisted the suggestion, but as strenuously. The result is, we presume, that the clause remains in the Treaty, just with the stipulation that the appointment of Chinese Consuls shall be postponed, but whether indefinitely or to a period named, not mentioned by the *Paris Journal*. Permission is also accorded by the new Treaty to conduct trade in opium across the frontier between Tientsin and Western China. This is a concession of great value to China. This is the first time since the Article XIV of the unratified Treaty of 1886, and ought to prove advantageous to the revenue of Tientsin. These concessions, however, were not obtained by M. CONSTANS without granting some reciprocal advantages to the Chinese. The peninsula of Peking, hitherto claimed as a part of the territory of Tientsin, has been ceded to the Chinese, who attach no little importance to its possession, though the use of it is not specified in the Treaty probably contains some other modifications of M. COGENDAN's original

quires into the question of the proposed abolition of the Emigration Ordinance, which has already been the subject of a correspondence between the Government and the Chamber of Commerce. I may say, at once, that although the Government have not yet received the report of the views of the Chamber, the Committee of the Chamber recognises the necessity of the Government guarding and protecting the interests of emigrants. Still, in the opinion of the Chamber, it is not necessary to have so intimately connected with the trade, to maintain the length of the voyage to Australia on the basis of a seven knot-speed, sailing there are full power and fast steamers engaged in that trade to the detriment of the emigrant, and it is not, at the same time, unnecessary. I am aware that it is customary when a difference of opinion exists on a matter of this sort to refer it to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, but the Committee of the Chamber have no objection if a Commission were appointed, evidence would be brought forward which would induce the Government to amend the regulations in some way or other.

ACCORDING TO THE CHAIRMAN.—Sir, I have answered the question put to me by the Government has lately had occasion to examine this question, and carefully considered the matter and obtained all the information that was available. They are therefore of opinion that the Commission is not strictly any further information, and do not think it desirable to appoint one. I may also state in case any change should be made in the regulations, that the Commission would refer to Australia which would bring it before the Government, and it might then be thought necessary to introduce changes such that Australia should not be included in this category of voyages of not more

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luc to agree that the great many of the hon. mem- bers were clear to us but a great many people do not understand the Bill. I hope I can make it plain to me. I shall study it carefully. Nobody is more anxious to study myself to see. This Bill passed, but I think suggestions of the hon. members opposite will be taken into consideration. I hope the Government postpone the second reading for a week so that the Bill will be printed to-night and circulated to-morrow.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR asked what his friends thought of the Bill. He said that what his friends, the Attorney-General, said was very reasonable, and he never understood what was the condition that the Bill was to be at once passed. He said that he was not sure it was necessary to make the necessary marginal note and to forward to every member of Council copy. He was very sorry to hear that that condition was not to be taken into consideration. He was very sorry, but he did not see how he was fully prepared to go on with the Bill. In his opinion, the general discussion on the second reading was not a very good one. He was sorry that all these points that have already been referred to and on which the Government is so generally willing to make concessions, I certainly do not think that the Government will have a general discussion and, if we find afterwards that it is necessary to adjourn before that discussion is completed, before we have arrived at anything like a final decision, I think it would be a great adjournment. But I am certainly against adjournment at present.

HON. A. P. MACLEWEN referred to a statement made by the Attorney-General in the course of a Bill. Should we forward the members

to elicit all possible information. I have no de-

in fact, the decision has been made and I have no doubt to elicit all possible information. I have no definite information as yet as regards any extra duties levied on articles of food generally. The only information I possess is with regard to salt fish; and there is no doubt that a duty has been levied that was not customary. On looking into the Treaty of Tientsin, I find that China had a perfect right to levy a duty on salt fish, but for some reason which I don't know the provincial authorities in Canton seem not to have exercised their right. However, all I can say is that I have placed the whole question before our Minister at Peking in

a despatch, which despatch I shall be very happy to show confidentially to any hon. member of the

despatch, which despatch I shall be very happy to see, and I am confident that any hon. member of the Council will be able to have as few secrets as possible. I have endeavored in as forcible language as possible to say that this Colony does not expect, after the passing of the Opium Ordinance, to have any more secrets than it had before. That I think I have pointed out very clearly, and we must now wait for the answer from Peking. I think the hon. member is not correct in saying that the despatch is from Mr. Robert Hart said, nor am I aware that there has been anything of the sort published. How he got his information about what Sir Robert Hart said, I do not know. I think the hon. member would be surprised, and I think the hon. member will find that he has made some mistake.

THE HON. WONG SHING-IT: What I have heard.

His EXCELLENCY: Yes, but we have to be very careful in official statements. I don't think I am doing anything except that the matter is under consideration.

THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE:—Perhaps I may be allowed to say, as I acted on the recent Commission on behalf of the Colony, that there was no objection to the despatch of the despatch around the Colony should be abolished. The arrangement was that the officer responsible for the collection of the duty on the Kowloon side

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perly controlled. No one ever asked that they
should be abandoned, and it was never offered nor
promised that they should be.

Hon. P. RYRIE—I rise to order. The previous occupant of the chair made some remark to the

1880. P. 1816.—I rise to order. The previous question is now before the House. I have to remark to the effect that when the Opium Bill was introduced that we should get rid of the blockade.

BILL ADVANCED.

The Bill to amend Ordinance 16 of 1887 was read the second time and passed through Committee.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH BILL.

THE ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—I beg to renew my motion for the second reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance for amending the Laws relating to Public Health in the Colony of Hongkong."

THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL seconded.

HON. P. RYRIE.—I don't like to be an obstructionist, but really this Bill only reached me and the other principal members yesterday afternoon.

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about it. There has been a whole fortnight to make those alterations in the Bill, and yet we only get it twenty-four hours before the meeting. I think that is hardly what the members of this Committee would have expected. It is fair to remark, however, that the Bill was not introduced until A fortnight was given, and it is not till after the meeting of the Council, meets that this is time to look at it. Matters have been coming in and out of the Council, and I had a meeting of a public committee to attend. I have not had more time should be given to carefully read the Bill over and discuss it. There are material alterations in it. I can see, but I have not had time to make them. I have glanced over them, certainly, but I say I have not had time to study them and I don't think any of my colleagues have had time either. I therefore move that the second reading of this Bill be postponed.

W. BELL-LEVING.—I beg to second the amendment.

MR. CHURCHILL.—I have not had time to read my own Bill, which has just spoken. I hardly

received the amended rough draft last evening about 5 o'clock, and I have not had time to

reverted the amended rough draft last evening about 5 o'clock, and I have not had time to look over it in order to see what the alterations were. What my hon. friend says about the Chinese, I think is perfectly correct. The Chinese certainly ought to have a translation of the Bill read and ought to have time to go carefully into it and discuss it among themselves. I think before the second reading we ought to have a week to consider the amendments.

THE ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—I am sorry to have to oppose this amendment. There is nothing in the standing rules and regulations which requires that the amendments should

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possible, that is, so fast that we cannot fully appreciate the value of the Bill, but, at least, before we certainly do walk away from it, I think I cannot see for myself the rational objection to our going on with the second reading of the Bill.

THE CHIEF TREASURER—Perhaps I had better suggest a mid-day course, which seems to me to be the best, and which I think before the Council is that the Bill be read a second time. I mention that, because we are getting into rather a disorderly meeting, but no more speaking there and for this time at least, I think we had better stop. I think the members might well accept the principle of the Bill. The principle is sanitation. They like the Government has withdrawn what for the greatest ground of opposition—the compulsory method. I want to say that the Government has read from the compulsory provision of latrines and also from the compulsory provision of space in front of dwellings.

THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL—I rise to order the Council. I think the Government is retrograde from these provisions.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER—As far as the Bill is concerned, I have no objection to the SUEYVER-GENERAL—I beg your pardon.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER—Hon. members know that certain powers which seemed to me rather arbitrary placed on the Senate Board are to be modified in the Bill, which will read in rather a sweeping way and which are to be modified. Hon. members knowing this might surely accept the principle of the Bill, which I understand, and leave all other matters to be considered in Committee, where they will have an opportunity. If in addition to this the Government would undertake to have the Bill reprinted, there is no legal objection to this which I can refer to directly, but I quite sympathize with the Council in Committee, where they will have a coherent copy of what they are to pass. The objection to this is that the Council should know before the same Bill that was read a first time and that no alterations should be made before it is read a second time. The legal counsel, but it is a very inconvenient one, and the alterations are agreed to by common consent and

have a clear and coherent copy of the Bill, and numbers may have been struck out and certain clauses modified. I think if hon. members reflect on the fact that most of the things to which they have been withdrawn from the Bill and if the Government are prepared to have the Bill reprinted and withdrawn so that we may go into committee on a clean copy and not altered one that course might meet the views of all parties concerned. I suggest it, Sir, in the interest of the Bill.

HIS EXCELLENCY asked the hon. member what motion he was speaking on.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER.—I support the motion of the Attorney-General. I merely say that I am not in a position to make any recommendation more acceptable if the Government would undertake to furnish us with a clean copy of the Bill as modified before our next meeting.

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—In answer to that I have to state that we cannot sit in Committee on any other Bill than the one that has been read a first time.

cussed this matter with the Acting Attorney General and I suggested the printing of a pamphlet, but he showed distinct signs that in this form the members would not know exactly what change the Government had made, whereas if they got a clean copy they would not.

The **OR. P. RYRIE** rose to address the Council.

The **COUNCIL TREASURER**—I rise to order the Council to be seated for the 17th hour, as the member has been on his feet half a day and a half.

HON. P. RYRIE—I am not the only one.

Some conversation then took place as to what motion was before the Council.

HON. P. RYRIE said the question was that the Bill be read a second time. He had bravely waiting to see if any hon. member had any remarks to make. If no one wished to make any observations he would put the question.

The question was then put and carried with a division.

The **ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY** moved that the Council do adjourn for a week.

HON. A. P. MACGOWEN—May I ask if the

ried out and the Bill be printed.

HIS EXCELLENCY—Most certainly.

THE ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL—No, Sir. I have no objection to the Committee on the Bill as read a first and second time. If the Bill has to be reprinted we must begin again.

HON. A. P. MACEWEN Notwithstanding the answer of my hon. friend, I earnestly beg that you will give notice of a public vote to be taken. If Bill reprinted so that we may know what we are about.

HIS EXCELLENCY—Well, without comprising ourselves in any way, I will see that it is done. I will give notice of a public vote to be reprinted be sent to you.

HON. P. BYRLE—There are plenty of precedents for it. Bills have been reprinted again and again.

HIS EXCELLENCY—I have no objection.

THE SPEAKING CHAIR JUSTICE—An objection stands now before the Council it is a better shape for the members to discuss it than a free copy would be, because the alterations are marked in red ink. So far as the public are concerned, I have no objection to the Bill being reprinted, but I think it should be furnished with a copy of the alterations. I will give notice of a public vote to be taken.

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Hon. C. P. CHUTE—The Colonial Secretary has proposed we adjourn to this day week. I would like to know if the intention to go into Committee on this Bill then. If so I would not vote. *Frederick*

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